

Union Calendar No. 360

106TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 3535

[Report No. 106-650]

To amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to eliminate the wasteful and unsportsmanlike practice of shark finning.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 27, 2000

Mr. CUNNINGHAM introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

JUNE 6, 2000

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

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2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

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5 bition Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PURPOSE.**

2 The purpose of this Act is to eliminate the wasteful
3 and unsportsmanlike practice of shark finning and to re-
4 duce the high mortality levels associated with shark fin-
5 ning in waters of the United States.

6 **SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON REMOVING SHARK FIN AND DIS-**
7 **CARDING SHARK CARCASS AT SEA.**

8 Section 307 of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Con-
9 servation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1857) is
10 amended—

11 (1) in subparagraph (N) by striking “or” after
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13 (2) in subparagraph (O) by striking the period
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17 including the tail, and discard the carcass of
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12 *(including the tail) and discard the carcass of*
13 *the shark at sea;*

14 *“(ii) to have custody, control, or possession*
15 *of any such fin aboard a fishing vessel without*
16 *the corresponding carcass; or*

17 *“(iii) to land any such fin without the cor-*
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